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Semiannual Regulatory Agenda

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Interior.

ACTION: Semiannual regulatory agenda.

SUMMARY: This notice provides the semiannual agenda of rules scheduled for review or development between fall 2012 and spring 2013. The Regulatory Flexibility Act and Executive Order 12866 require publication of the agenda.

ADDRESSES: Unless otherwise indicated, all agency contacts are located at the Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20240.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: With this publication, the Department satisfies the requirement of Executive Order 12866 that the Department publish an agenda of rules that we have issued or expect to issue and of currently effective rules that we have scheduled for review.

Simultaneously, the Department meets the requirement of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*) to publish an agenda in April and October of each year identifying rules that will have significant economic effects on a substantial number of small entities. We have specifically identified in the agenda rules that will have such effects.

This edition of the Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions includes The Regulatory Plan, which appears in both the online Unified Agenda and in part II of the **Federal Register** that includes the Unified Agenda. The Department's Statement of Regulatory Priorities is included in the Plan.

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United States Fish and Wildlife Service—Prerule Stage

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identifier Number
326	National Wildlife Refuge System; Oil and Gas Regulations	1018–AX36

National Park Service—Final Rule Stage

Sequence	Title	Regulation

Number		Identifier Number
327	Winter Use—Yellowstone National Park	1024–AE10

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management—Completed Actions

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identifier Number
328	Revised Requirements for Well Plugging and Platform Decommissioning	1010–AD61

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement—Proposed Rule Stage

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identifier Number
329	Stream Protection Rule	1029–AC63

Department of the Interior (DOI)	Prerule Stage
United States Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)	

326. NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SYSTEM; OIL AND GAS REGULATIONS

Legal Authority: 16 USC 668dd–ee; 42 USC 7401 et seq; 16 USC 1131 to 1136; 40 CFR 51.300 to 51.309

Abstract: We propose regulations that ensure that all operators conducting oil or gas operations within a National Wildlife Refuge System unit do so in a manner as to prevent or minimize damage to National Wildlife Refuge System resources, visitor values, and management objectives. FWS does not intend these regulations to result in a taking of a property Interest, but rather to impose reasonable controls on operations that affect federally owned or controlled lands and/or waters.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
ANPRM	01/00/13	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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Department of the Interior (DOI)	Final Rule Stage
National Park Service (NPS)	

327. WINTER USE—YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK

Legal Authority: 16 USC 1; 16 USC 3; 16 USC 9a

Abstract: The park has managed winter use with an interim rule that only authorized snowmobile and snowcoach use through the end of the 2011-2012 winter season. This new rule would extend the interim regulations for one more year in order to allow the National Park Service time to develop a long-term regulation.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	12/00/12	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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Department of the Interior (DOI)	Completed Actions
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM)	

328. REVISED REQUIREMENTS FOR WELL PLUGGING AND PLATFORM DECOMMISSIONING

Legal Authority: 31 USC 9701; 43 USC 1334

Abstract: This rule would establish timely submission requirements for decommissioning and abandonment plans, and establish deadlines for decommissioning permits. The rule would also implement timeframes and clarify requirements for plugging and abandonment of idle wells and decommissioning idle facilities.

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Withdrawn	10/18/12	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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Department of the Interior (DOI)	Proposed Rule Stage
Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE)	

329. STREAM PROTECTION RULE

Legal Authority: 30 USC 1201 et seq

Abstract: On August 12, 2009, the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia denied the Government's request that the court vacate and remand the Excess Spoil/Stream Buffer Zone rule published on December 12, 2008. Therefore, the Department intends to initiate notice and comment rulemaking to address issues arising from previous rulemakings. The agency also intends to prepare a new environmental impact statement.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
ANPRM	11/30/09	74 FR 62664
ANPRM Comment Period End	12/30/09	
NPRM	04/00/13	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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